

Electronic Filing Notice of Hardship

Prescribed by Secretary of State 5/06

Full Name of Committee									
Full Name of Candidate					Date of Election		M	D	Y
Street Address					Office Sought			District	
City						State		Zip Code	
Type of Report (place X to the left of report type)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pre-Primary	<input type="checkbox"/>	Post-Primary	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pre-General	<input type="checkbox"/>	Post-General	Annual Year
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special	<input type="checkbox"/>	July Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/>	August Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/>	September Monthly	Semiannual

By filing this form, the candidate attests to the following:

- 1) The campaign committee has had, during the reporting period for the report indicated above, contribution and expenditure activity that, pursuant to R.C. 3517.106, would require the report to be filed by electronic means;
- 2) If a campaign committee of a statewide candidate, the committee has had less than \$25,000 in expenditures during the reporting period for the report indicated above;
- 3) The campaign committee intends to file the report on paper instead of by electronic means. This report must be received at the secretary of state's office no later than the applicable deadline prescribed by R.C. 3517.10(A). The report must be accompanied by the fee prescribed by R.C. 3517.106(L) and rule of the secretary of state;
- 4) Filing the report indicated above by electronic means would constitute a hardship for the candidate or campaign committee.

To Determine the Fee:

Count the total number of contribution entries and the total number of expenditure entries in the report. Write these two figures in the margin of the Ohio Campaign Finance Report (Form 30-A). Do not count Loan and Debt entries. Next, multiply the total number of entries by 0.30 to determine the fee due. Attach a check or money order to the report when it is filed, made payable to the Ohio Secretary of State, for the amount calculated.

The statements in this Notice are made under the penalty of election falsification. Whoever commits election falsification is guilty of a felony of the fifth degree.

Signed (Candidate Signature Only)

Date

Electronic Filing Notice of Hardship - Form 31-DD

This form is only to be used by candidates for general assembly, statewide office and court of appeals. Political action committees, political contributing entities, political parties, legislative campaign funds and electioneering communication entities may not file this form. Candidates for statewide office whose campaign committees have \$25,000 or more in expenditures during the reporting period may not file this form. It is to be filed with the secretary of state's office prior to the filing of the report covered.

The purpose of this form is to permit candidates whose campaign committees are subject to the electronic filing requirements in R.C. 3517.106 to attest that filing their campaign finance reports by electronic means would constitute a hardship for the candidate or committee. The Notice of Hardship must be filed for each report subject to the requirement

to file the report by electronic means. Once this form is filed, the campaign committee is permitted to file the report on paper. A paper report filed under the Notice of Hardship must be received at the secretary of state's office no later than the applicable deadline set forth in R.C. 3517.10. The paper report should not be filed at the county board of elections. In addition, when the report is filed, it must also be accompanied by a check or money order made payable to the Ohio Secretary of State for the fee to offset the data entry costs. The formula to determine the amount of the fee prescribed in R.C. 3517.106(L) is listed on the form.

The top portion of the form must be filled out listing the name of the campaign committee, name of candidate, etc. Please indicate which report this notice covers, i.e., the pre-primary report, the semiannual report, etc.